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1. The Kutfej oil field's 170 wells produce a daily average of 1700 cubic meters of crude oil. It is necessary to pump oil from only ten of the wells; oil from the others is obtained by means of gas (methane) pressure.
2. Crude oil is pumped to storage tanks through 2½ inch pipelines which lie 70 cm. beneath the surface. Storage tank capacity is 60 cubic meters each. Pumping stations are located at Lispe, Bazakerettye, Ujudvar, and Kap Lás-Nyek.
3. Ujudvar represents the field's distribution point from which crude oil is sent to Shell refineries at Budapest and Győr.
4. Four steam-powered drilling rigs are in operation. Wells are drilled to a depth of 1,400 meters, after which a four-inch casing is inserted and its lower extremity cemented to a height of four meters. When the cement has hardened an explosive charge is set off in the bottom of the casing, thus perforating it and allowing oil to enter under gas pressure. A 2½ inch pipe with a surface pressure valve for control of oil flow is then inserted into the casing. The drilling rig is then removed to another site 600 meters distant and a new well is sunk. Drilling requires approximately three months.
5. Methane gas is used for production of gas oil. The mineral pitch factory has a daily production of 200 kilograms.
6. Five passenger automobiles and twenty motor trucks are assigned to the field.

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